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RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Election/Restriction Requirement of August 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 9, 11-13, 20 and 23-25.

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REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of August 20, 2002, the applicant elects the species of the claimed invention as shown in Figs. 4-6 for examination in the present application. Claims 9, 11-13, 20 and 23-25 have been canceled in the present application as reading on the species of Figs. 7-8, Figs. 9-13 or Figs. 14-18, but will be resubmitted upon allowance of the independent claims or for examination as part of a divisional application claiming priority of the present application.

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